GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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Asian Games-2014
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the achievements made by the Indian sportspersons at the Asian Games- 2014 held at Incheon, South Korea; (b) whether the Government is aware that the travel plans were delayed and changed at the last moment for the athletes who were going to attend the said Games and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; (c) whether such changes led to availability of less time for athletes to acclimatize and have adequate practice sessions; (d) if so, the action taken against those held responsible for such delays; and (e) the corrective measures taken to avoid recurrence of such issues in future?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR
YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL) (a) : Madam, in the Asian Games, 2014 held at Incheon, South Korea, India won 11 Gold, 10 Silver and 36 Bronze medals.
(b) : Due to some lack of coordination between Indian Olympic Association (IOA) and National Rifle Association of India NRAI) with regard to timely accreditation of shooters, who were taking part in the 51st ISSF (International Shooting Sport Federation) World Championship 2014 held from 6th to 20th September at Granada (Spain), the athletes could not go directly from Spain to Incheon for Asian Games 2014. They had to come back to India to apply for visa for South Korea in the absence of accreditation cards, and then they proceeded to Incheon for taking part in Asian Games 2014. They were given accreditation cards on their arrival at Incheon. (c) : No, Madam (d)&(e): It is the responsibility of IOA and the concerned NSF to take timely action in completion of formalities relating to accreditation of players, coaches etc. and make their travel plan for taking part in multi-disciplinary sports events such as Olympic Games, Asian Games and Commonwealth Games. *********